

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. APPLN. NO. 10/088,301

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A functional food comprising a sphingoglycolipid derived from a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake.

2. (currently): A functional food comprising a sphingoglycolipid derived from a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake and a plant sterol.

3. (currently amended): A functional food according to claim 2, wherein said sphingoglycolipid is extracted from a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake.

4. (original): A functional food according to claim 1 or 3, wherein the tuberous and corm vegetable is konjac.

5. (currently): A cosmetic comprising a sphingoglycolipid derived from a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake.

6. (original): A cosmetic according to claim 5, wherein the tuberous and corm vegetable is konjac.

7. (currently amended): A method of producing a functional food or a cosmetic according to any one of claims ~~1 and 3 to 6~~ 1, 3, 5 or 6, which comprises the steps of adding an organic solvent to a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake and extracting a sphingoglycolipid.

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8. (currently amended): A method of producing a sphingoglycolipid-containing product, which comprises the steps of adding an organic solvent to a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake and extracting a sphingoglycolipid.

Claims 9-13 (canceled).

14. (new): A method for producing a functional food according to claim 4 which comprises the steps of adding an organic solvent to a tuberous and corm vegetable or cotton seed oil cake and extracting a sphingoglycolipid.